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MEDICAID PURCHASING ADMINISTRATION
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To: Psychologists
Managed Care Organizations

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Subject: Psychologist Program: Fee Schedule Updates

Effective for dates of service on and after July 1, 2010, the Department of Social and Health Services (The Department) will update the Psychologist Fee Schedule with the updated Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Database (MPFSDB) Year 2010 Relative Value Units (RVUs).

Overview

All previously published policies remain the same unless specifically identified as changed in this memo.

Fee Schedule Updates and Maximum Allowable Fee Adjustments

Effective for dates of service on and after July 1, 2010, the Department will update the *Psychologist Fee Schedule* with the updated MPFSDB Year 2010 RVUs and adjust the maximum allowable fees to reflect the new rates.

Bill the Department your usual and customary charge.

Reminder: To be paid for services, please enter the referring provider's NPI on your claim.

Viewing Changes to the Fee Schedule

To view the July 1, 2010, fee schedule changes, go to the Department/Medicaid Purchasing Administration (MPA) website online at: <http://hrsa.dshs.wa.gov/RBRVS/Index.html>.

Billing Instructions Clarification and Housekeeping Changes

The Department made some housekeeping changes and added the following clarifying note on page B.11 of the *Psychologist Billing Instructions*:

Note: Please note that this benefit is for children who do not meet the RSN's access to care standards. If it is medically necessary, therapists need to transition care of the child to the RSN, as appropriate to the child's condition.

How Can I Get the Department/MPA Provider Documents?

To download and print the Department/MPA provider numbered memos and billing instructions, go to the Department/MPA website at <http://hrsa.dshs.wa.gov> (click the ***Billing Instructions and Numbered Memorandum*** link).